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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

PROVIDING DISTRIBUTED DATABASE SERVICES

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 14, 2004

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Sir:

In response to the office communication mailed May 14, 2004 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.